

Lecture 25: Long exact sequences.

Goal: $A^{clsd} \subseteq X$. Want to relate $H_*(A)$, $H_*(X)$, $H_*(X/A)$.

Homology: $\rightarrow C_3(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_3} C_2(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_2} C_1(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0(X) \rightarrow 0$

$$H_n(X) = \text{ker } \partial_n / \text{im } \partial_{n+1}$$

Here $\epsilon(\text{sing. } 0\text{-simplex}) = 1$
and say why $\epsilon \circ \partial_1 = 0$

Reduced Homology:

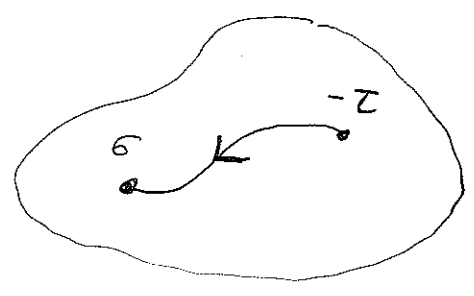
$$\rightarrow C_3(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_3} C_2(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_2} C_1(X) \xrightarrow{\partial_1} C_0(X) \xrightarrow{\epsilon = \partial_0} \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow 0$$

$$\tilde{H}_n(X) = \text{ker } \partial_n / \text{im } \partial_{n+1} \left[\begin{array}{l} = H_n(X) \text{ when } n > 0 \\ \text{smaller than } H_0(X). \end{array} \right]$$

[Technically conv., simplifies "bookkeeping":]

What is $\tilde{H}_0(X)$ when X is path conn?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ker } \epsilon &= \{ \sum a_i \sigma_i \mid \sum a_i = 0 \} \\ &= \langle \sigma - \tau \mid \sigma, \tau \text{ sing } 0\text{-simplex} \rangle \end{aligned}$$



So: $\ker \varepsilon \subseteq \text{im } \partial_1 \Rightarrow \tilde{H}_0(X) = 0$.

In general, $\tilde{H}_0(X) \oplus \mathbb{Z} \cong H_0(X)$.

Note: X contractible $\Rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(X) = 0$ for all n .



Exact sequences:

$$\rightarrow A_{n+1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n+1}} A_n \xrightarrow{\alpha_n} A_{n-1} \xrightarrow{\alpha_{n-1}} \dots$$

groups

where $\ker \alpha_n = \text{im } \alpha_{n+1}$ for all n .

[Q: Have people seen this before? How does it differ from a chain complex.]

Ex! $0 \rightarrow A \xrightarrow{\alpha} B$ is exact $\Leftrightarrow \alpha$ is 1-1.

$B \xrightarrow{\beta} C \rightarrow 0$
is exact $\Leftrightarrow \beta$ is onto.

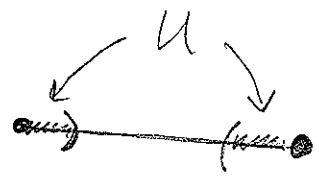
So

$0 \rightarrow A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow 0$ is exact

means that B has a subgp isom to A with quotient gp C . ["Short exact sequence"]

Good Pair: $A \subseteq X$ with A closed and having a nbhd that def. retracts to A .

Ex: $X = I, A = \partial I = \{0, 1\}$



Ex: X a CW complex, A a subcomplex.

Thm: (X, A) a good pair. Then the sequences

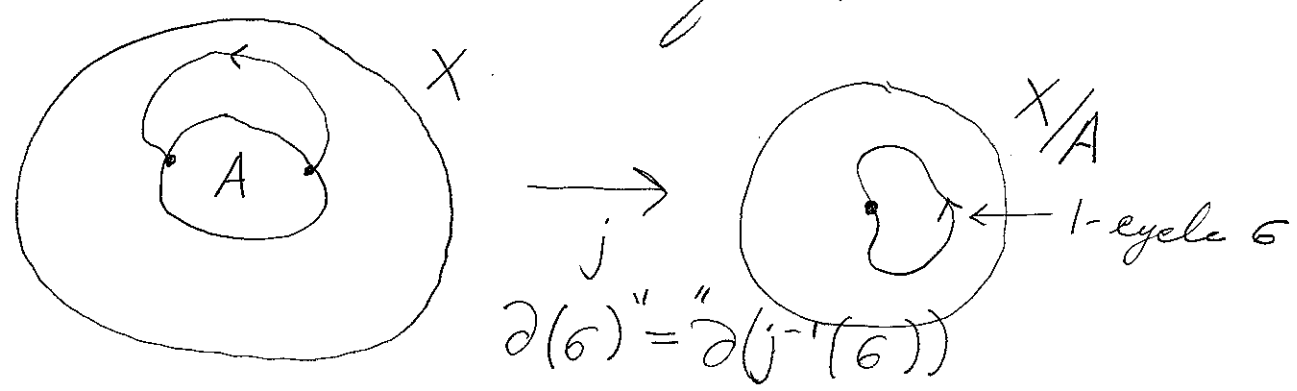
$$\begin{aligned} \dots \rightarrow \tilde{H}_3(X/A) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_2(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} \tilde{H}_2(X) \xrightarrow{j_*} \tilde{H}_2(X/A) \xrightarrow{\partial} \tilde{H}_1(A) \\ \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(X) \xrightarrow{j_*} \tilde{H}_1(X/A) \xrightarrow{i_*} \tilde{H}_0(A) \xrightarrow{i_*} \tilde{H}_0(X) \xrightarrow{j_*} \tilde{H}_0(X/A) \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

is exact, where

i_* is induced by the inclusion $i: A \rightarrow X$

j_* comes from the projection $j: X \rightarrow X/A$

∂ is harder to define.



Ex: $X = I$, $A = \partial I$, $X/A = S'$

$$\rightarrow \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_2(I)} \xrightarrow{i_*} \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_2(S')} \xrightarrow{j_*} \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_1(\partial I)} \xrightarrow{\partial} \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_1(I)} \xrightarrow{j_*} \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_1(S')}$$

$$\rightarrow \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_0(\partial I)} \xrightarrow{i_*} \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_0(I)} \xrightarrow{\partial} \overset{0}{\tilde{H}_0(S')} \rightarrow 0$$

Forces $\tilde{H}_2(S') = 0$ as $\ker j_* = \tilde{H}_2(S')$ and $\text{im } i_* = 0$.

Forces $\tilde{H}_1(S') = \mathbb{Z}$ as $\ker i_* = \tilde{H}_0(\partial I)$
 $\Rightarrow \partial$ is onto

$$\begin{array}{c} \nearrow \\ 0 \rightarrow \tilde{H}_1(S') \rightarrow \underset{\mathbb{Z}}{\tilde{H}_0(\partial I)} \rightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

means ∂ is 1-1 $\Rightarrow \partial$ is an isom.

So:

$$\tilde{H}_n(S') = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & n=1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$H_n(S') = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & n=0,1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Thm: $\tilde{H}_k(S^n) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & \text{when } n=k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

(66)

(Note true for $n=0, 1$.)

Pf: induct on n , and use

$$X = D^n, A = \partial D^n = S^{n-1}, X/A = S^n$$

$$\tilde{H}_k = 0 = \begin{cases} \mathbb{Z} & k=n-1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Only interesting bit

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \tilde{H}_n(D^n) & \rightarrow & \tilde{H}_n(S^n) & \rightarrow & \tilde{H}_{n-1}(S^{n-1}) & \rightarrow & \tilde{H}_{n-1}(D^n) \\ 0 & & & & \mathbb{Z} & & 0 \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tilde{H}_n(S^n) = \mathbb{Z}, \text{ others are } 0.$$



